

## DOES THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT HAVE TO RESPOND TO A LAWFULLY ISSUED AND VALID CONGRESSIONAL SUBPOENA?

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Obstruction of Justice: Does the Justice Department Have to Respond to a Lawfully Issued and Valid Congressional Subpoena?” Testimony was heard from Charles Tiefer, Commissioner, Commission on Wartime Contracting; Morton Rosenberg, former Specialist in American Public Law, American Law Division, Congressional Research Service; Todd Tatelman, Legislative Attorney, American Law Division, Congressional Research Service; and public witnesses.

## AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2112, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food & Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The Committee granted, by non-record vote, an open rule providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI except for sections 740, 741, 743, and 744. Under the Rules of the House the bill shall be read for amendment by paragraph. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The rule authorizes the Chair to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Rep. Kingston; and Rep. Farr.

## BUS SAFETY ON OUR NATION'S HIGHWAYS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Full Committee hearing entitled “How Best to Improve Bus Safety on Our Nation's Highways.” Testimony was heard from Anne S. Ferro, Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, DOT; and public witnesses.

## PREVENTING SEXUAL ASSAULTS AND SAFETY INCIDENTS AT VA FACILITIES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Preventing Sexual Assaults and Safety Incidents at VA Facilities. Testimony was heard from Randall B. Williamson, Director, Health Care, GAO; Joseph G. Sullivan, Jr., Deputy Assist-

ant Inspector General for Investigations, Office of Investigations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; William Schoenhard, FACHE, Deputy Under Secretary for Health Operations and Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Kevin Hanretta, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Emergency Management, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D603)

H.R. 754, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System. Signed on June 8, 2011. (Public Law 112-18)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Airland, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012, 9 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012, 10:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012, 3:30 p.m., SD-G50.

Subcommittee on Personnel, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2012, 5 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs,* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Luis A. Aguilar, of Georgia, and Daniel M. Gallagher, Jr., of Maryland, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and Anthony Frank D'Agostino, of

Maryland, and Gregory Karawan, of Virginia, both to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*, to hold hearings to examine emerging threats to rail security, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources*, to hold hearings to examine wildfire management programs of the Federal land management agencies, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Appropriations*, Full Committee, hearing on the Report on the Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2012; and the Defense Appropriations Bill, FY 2012. 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled "Retirement Security: Challenges Confronting Pension Plan Sponsors, Workers, and Retirees." 11 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy, hearing entitled "The NRC Inspector General Report on the 'NRC Chairman's Unilateral Decision to Terminate NRC's Review of the DOE Yucca Mountain Repository License Application.'" 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Does the Dodd Frank Act End 'Too Big to Fail'?" 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "The Role of the U.S. in the World Bank and Multilateral Development Banks: Bank Oversight and Requested Capital Increases." 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing on Holding Honduras Hostage: Revoked Visas and U.S. Policy, 3 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled "Securing the Nation's Ports and Maritime Border—A Review of the Coast Guard Post 9/11 Homeland Security Missions." 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs, hearing on H.R. 946, the "Endangered Salmon Predation Prevention Act." 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1904, the Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2011; H.R. 869, to clarify the definition of flood control operations for the purposes of the operation and maintenance of Project No. 2179 on the Lower Merced River; H.R. 1258, the Box Elder Utah Land Conveyance Act; H.R. 1545, the Waco Mammoth National Monument Establishment Act of 2011; H.R. 473, the HALE Scouts Act; and H.R. 1740, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of Illabot Creek in Skagit County, Washington, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Achieving Transparency and Accountability in Federal Spending." 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1249, the America Invents Act, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Transportation Research Priorities: Maximizing Return on Investment of Taxpayer Dollars, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on The Federal Perspective on a National Critical Materials Strategy, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight and Regulations, hearing entitled "Do Not Enter: How Proposed Hours of Service Trucking Rules are a Dead End for Small Businesses." 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled "Creating Jobs and Increasing U.S. Exports by Enhancing the Marine Transportation System." 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Full Committee, hearing on Mental Health: Bridging the Gap between Care and Compensation for Veterans, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Subcommittee on Social Security, joint hearing on the accuracy of payments made by the Social Security Administration (SSA), 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*, to receive a briefing on prospects for unfreezing Moldova's frozen conflict in Transnistria, focusing on examining how the existing security and governance conditions in the region affect the human rights and humanitarian situations on the ground, 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn Building.